**American Literature Vocabulary Unit 4**

Define the following words AND write a sentence using each. The word should be used correctly.

1. gentility (n):
2. nepotism (n):
3. fragrant (adj)
4. pungent (adj)
5. archaic (adj)
6. contemporary (n)
7. infantile (adj)
8. longevity (n)
9. obsolete (adj)
10. posthumous (adj)

**Synonyms: Pick 5 vocabulary words and write a synonym for each. Write both words down please.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Fill in the blank with the best possible answer. (Use a vocabulary word)**

1. Aunt Matilda thinks it is childish for grown ups to yell and boo at ball games. She cannot understand their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ behavior.
2. When individuals distinguished for their advanced age are interviewed by the press, they are usually asked for the secret to their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
3. As a means of transportation, the horse drawn carriage has long been \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
4. Does the soap that you use have a pleasant odor? Is it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?
5. The Royal Duke scandalized many of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by marrying a commoner.

**Concise Writing: Express the thought of each sentence below in no more than five words and using a vocabulary word.**

1. The American people look down on favoritism to relatives by those in power.

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1. This cheese is stale and it has an unpleasant odor.

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1. The computer that we own is going out of use.

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1. Was this play published after the death of its author?

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1. Was Shakespeare living at the time that Elizabeth was alive?

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**Antonyms: Write the vocabulary word that is the antonym below.**

1. Fragrant
2. Contemporary (adj)
3. Mature
4. Non bias
5. Popular use

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_